What's happening

September/October 1987
A bimonthly calendar of public events at UC-San Francisco. Please come and enjoy.

UCSF-Laurel Heights Events

All events held at 3333 California St. Auditorium. Call 476-3206. Free parking available.

Thurs. & Fri., Oct. 1 & 2: **Musical Panoramas: Chanticleer.** Male vocal ensemble. First in a series of eight musical programs. $7 students & seniors. $9 general. Call 476-2542 for program information, 476-2035 for series & other ticket information.

Brown Bag Tours/Lectures

All lectures are free and held on Wednesdays at noon in Room 300, Health Sciences West (enter through 513 Parnassus). Videotapes of all talks are available for viewing in the UCSF Library, SIMA Unit, Room 345 Health Sciences East. For further information call 476-4394.

Sept. 9: **Controlled Eating in the Fast Lane.**

Sept. 16: **Boost Your Memory Power.**

Sept. 23: **Joseph A. Sprint: His Run for Life.**

Sept. 30: **Wrinkles: Their Cause & Prevention.**

Oct. 7: **Both Ends of Life: Reproductive & Geriatric Medicine.**

Oct. 14: **Women, Children & AIDS.**

Oct. 21: **The Good Life.**

Oct. 28: **Getting in Shape: Pain or Gain?**

Campus Tours

All tours are free and take place at 1 p.m. on Tuesdays, September 8, 15, 22, 29 and October 6, 13, 20, 27. Meet in the lobby of Medical Sciences building, 513 Parnassus. For further information call 476-4394.

New Volunteer Orientation

To acquaint new & prospective volunteers with opportunities available in the Medical Center at UCSF. Held in Rm. 209, Clinical Sciences Bldg., 521 Parnassus. Call 476-1196.

Tues., Sept. 15 & Oct. 20, 6-8 p.m.

Art Exhibits

Hospitals Auxiliary Exhibit. On display for the month of September in the lobby of Moffitt/Long Hospitals, 505 Parnassus, are watercolors, mini-oils and black & white photography. On display during October will be etchings, oils, watercolors & color nature photography. A portion of all proceeds benefits patients at the Medical Center at UCSF. To purchase or reserve work, visit the Auxiliary Office, Rm. 182, Moffitt Hospital, 505 Parnassus, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., or call 476-4906.

Faculty/Alumni House Exhibit. On display through November 27 are paintings by retired pediatrician Stewart B. Gross. Faculty/Alumni House, 745 Parnassus. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Reception for the artist, Sept. 17, 4:30-7 p.m. Call 476-4723.

Department of Nursing Courses

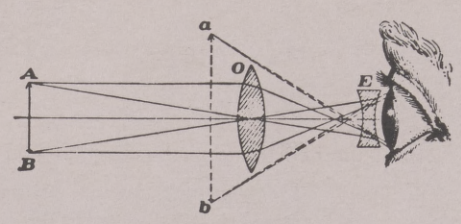
All courses held from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in Rm. 980, Moffitt Hospital, 505 Parnassus. For further information call 476-2993.

Wed., Sept. 9: **Care of Cardiac Surgery Patient.**

Thurs., Sept. 17: **EKG Interpretation I.**

Thurs., Sept. 24: **EKG Interpretation II.**

Special Events



Mon., Sept. 14: **UCSF Proctor Foundation's 40th Anniversary Symposium:** "Vision Research Horizons to the Year 2000." Carl Kupfer, director National Eye Institute. Toland Hall, 533 Parnassus. Free. Call 476-1441.

Thurs., Sept. 17: **Matinee Cabaret: The Flips.** Off-the-wall acapella quartet. Cole Hall. Noon. Free.

Thurs., Sept. 17: **Welcome to UCSF Comedy Night: Laughter Is the Best Medicine!** Cole Hall, 513 Parnassus. 9 p.m. Free for medicine & pharmacy freshmen, $2.50 other students, $3 general.

Tues., Sept. 22: **"Clothes, the Door Behind You."** The Company She Keeps dance troupe. Saunders Court (enter through 513 Parnassus). Noon. Free.

Mon., Oct. 7: **Campus Blood Drive.** Personal identification is requested. Blood may be given in Millberry Union main lounge, 500 Parnassus, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m., or mezzanine level, School of Nursing Bldg. (enter through 513 Parnassus) from 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Call 476-4013.

Fri., Oct. 16: **Twelfth Annual Gordon Tomkins Lecture & Concert:** "The Evolution of Sex." Biologist John Maynard Smith, University of Sussex, England. Cole Hall, 513 Parnassus. 3 p.m. Free. Call 476-1179.

Thurs., Oct. 22: **Fourth Annual Benjamin Lieberman Lecture:** "AIDS: From Social History to Social Policy." Allen M. Brandt, Harvard University specialist in social medicine & health policy. Rm. 301, Health Sciences West (enter through 513 Parnassus). Noon. Free.

Fri., Oct. 30: **Halloween Festival: The Sidewinders.** Soul/calypso music, costumes, dancing. Saunders Court (enter through 513 Parnassus). Noon. Free.

Cole Hall Cinema

All films are shown in Cole Hall, 513 Parnassus. Thursdays at 5:45 & 8:15 p.m., Fridays at 6:30 & 9 p.m. Children under 14 $2, UCSF students, seniors, & Millberry Union members $2.50, general $3. Call 476-2571.

Thurs. & Fri., Sept. 24 & 25: **Platoon.**

Thurs. & Fri., Oct. 1 & 2: **Hoosiers.**

Thurs. & Fri., Oct. 8 & 9: **Tin Men.**

Thurs. & Fri., Oct. 22 & 23: **Children of a Lesser God.**

Thurs. & Fri., Oct. 29 & 30: **Witches of Eastwick.**

Film & Reading Groups

Held once a month by UCSF Arts & Lectures to discuss selected books and films. Board of Governors Room, Millberry Union, 500 Parnassus. Call 476-2542.

Tues., Sept. 8 & Oct. 13: **Film Group Meeting.** 6 p.m.

Tues., Sept. 28 & Oct. 27: **Reading Group Meeting.** 6:30 p.m.

Mobile Mammography Screening Program

Women can have low-cost mammograms—x-rays to screen for breast cancer—from a mobile van that travels to convenient shopping or downtown locations in San Francisco and remains for a week at a time. Women need the approval of their physicians to have the mammogram. The procedure takes approximately 20 minutes and costs only $40. To make an appointment call 990-0459 or 476-2193 between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The van will be at the following locations during September and October:

- Sept. 8-10: Glide Memorial Church at Ellis & Taylor Sts.
- Sept. 14-18: Embarcadero, Drumm St. between Sacramento & Clay.
- Sept. 21-25: Taraval St., between 17th & 18th Aves.
- Sept. 28-Oct. 2: Sunset District, Irving St. between 25th & 26th Aves.
- Oct. 5-9: Richmond District, 7th Ave. between Geary & Clement.
- Oct. 12 & 16 only: Diamond Hts. Blvd., near Safeway.
- Oct. 19-23: Excelsior District, 4900 block of Mission St. near Safeway between Italy & France Sts.
- Oct. 26-30: Westlake Shopping Center, Park Plaza Dr., near Safeway.

Women's Resource Center

For further information call 476-5836.

Thurs., Sept. 10: **Feminism: The Center Peace of the Puzzle.** Cole Hall, 513 Parnassus. Noon-1 p.m.

Tues., Sept. 22: **A House Is Not a Home: Violence in the Black Family.** Toland Hall, 533 Parnassus. Noon-1 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 6: **No Images: The Status of Black Women in the Labor Force.** Toland Hall, 533 Parnassus. Noon-1 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 20: **Leave a Light on For Me: Love, Friendship, Heartache & Growth in the Lives of Four Bay Area Lesbians.** Rm. 214, Medical Sciences Bldg., 513 Parnassus. Noon-1 p.m.

Folk Dancing

Learn folk dancing from various parts of the world. No partner needed and everyone is welcome to attend. Held every Tuesday in the Millberry Union Gym, 500 Parnassus. 1:05-2:30 p.m. $2. For information call 334-5152.

International Film Festival

A week of cinema to promote trans-cultural understanding. The first showing of each film will be followed by a discussion led by a student from the country represented. All films are shown in Cole Hall, Medical Sciences building, 513 Parnassus. Children under 14 $2, UCSF students, seniors, & Millberry Union members $2.50, general $3. Series tickets: $10 students, $12 general. For information call 476-2571.

Mon., Oct. 12: **Sorekara.** (Japan 1986) 5:45 & 8:30 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 13: **Faces of Women.** (Ivory Coast 1985) 5:45 & 8:15 p.m.

Wed., Oct. 14: **Man Facing Southeast.** (Argentina 1986) 5:45 & 8:15 p.m.

Thurs., Oct. 15: **El Amor Brujo.** (Spain 1986) 5:45 & 8:15 p.m.

Fri., Oct. 16: **Swimming to Cambodia.** (US 1986) 5:45 & 8:15 p.m.

Outdoors Unlimited

Located on Parnassus Ave., street level in the University Hospital Bldg. between 3rd and 4th Ave., Outdoors Unlimited offers outdoor adventures for the neighborhood and campus community. Sign up for activities from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or 5 to 7 p.m., Monday & Friday; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday. Two-week advance registration is required for most events. For further information and a free brochure listing all events call 476-2078.

Sat., Sept. 12: **Bouldering.** Indian/Mortar Rocks. (For experienced climbers.)

Sat., Sept. 26: **Wilderburbanite Boogie.** Benefit dance. Millberry Union, 400 Parnassus. 8 p.m. $4 UCSF students. $7 general.

Sun., Sept. 27: **Bicycling.** Alexander Valley.

Sat.-Sun., Oct. 3-4: **Rockclimbing.** Yosemite Valley. (For experienced climbers.)

Tues., Oct. 6: **Bay Area Boardsailing Club Meeting.** Madrone Rm. Millberry Union, 500 Parnassus. 7:30 p.m.

PRO: Recreation & Fitness

Over 100 classes for the active and the inactive person. Fall classes include aerobics, weight management program, healthy neck and back care, stress reduction, yoga, dance, cooking, discount shopping tours, golf, tennis and much more! Fall classes begin Mon., Oct. 5. Registration begins Wed., Sept. 30, at Millberry Union Central Desk, 500 Parnassus. For further information and a free brochure listing all classes call 476-1800.

Personal Safety Classes

Conducted by the UCSF Police & Recreation Departments' Personal Safety Program. All classes held at the Laguna Honda Personnel Conference Rm., 1350 7th Ave. Call 476-5683 or 476-1800 to register.

Self-Defense Workshops. Easy-to-learn techniques. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat., Sept. 26: **Women Only.** Sat., Nov. 7: **Coed.** $20 public, $15 UC affiliate.

Tear Gas Certification Classes. Department of Justice approved. 6-9 p.m. Wed., Sept. 2 & 23, Oct. 7 & 28. $10.

Seven Week Self-Defense Classes. Mon., Sept. 28-Nov. 9. 6:30-9:30 p.m. $40 public, $25 UCSF affiliate.

Rape Prevention Education

For information call 476-5222.

Thurs., Sept. 17: **Adults Abused as Children.** Lecture by Judith Schiller, therapist, Child & Adolescent Sexual Abuse Resource Center. Toland Hall, 521 Parnassus. Noon. Free.

Group for Women Abused as Children. To be held on 12 consecutive Wednesdays (dates to be announced). 5-6:30 p.m. $5-$40 sliding scale.

Self-Defense Classes for Children & Adolescents. UCSF Child Care Study Center, 610 Parnassus. 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat., Sept. 12: Ages 5-7. Sat., Oct. 17: Ages 8-10. Sat., Nov. 14: Ages 11-14. $15.

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To our neighbors

New UCSF Ambulatory Surgery Center Opens

A new outpatient surgery center opened the first week of September at the Medical Center at UCSF, its state-of-the-art facilities oriented toward the family to ensure greater patient comfort and privacy.

Outpatient surgeries are straightforward procedures on patients in generally good health so they can recover the same day and need not stay in the hospital overnight.

All UCSF surgeons have access to the facilities, and will offer a great variety of operations ranging from hand surgery, hernia repair, eye surgery, breast biopsies and reconstructions, liposuction (suctioned fat removal), arthroscopy, myringotomies (creation of a hole in the eardrum to relieve pressure from middle ear infections common in children) and plastic surgery.

Called the UCSF Surgery Center, it is located on the plaza level of the Ambulatory Care Center, 400 Parnassus. It has four operating rooms, two procedure rooms, two large areas for first and second stages of recovery, a large waiting room, as well as private dressing areas.

Patients can relax to music from personal stereos, donated by the UCSF Hospitals Auxiliary, as well as munch on snacks. Families are encouraged to remain with patients until the time of surgery, and then are allowed to join them in the recovery room. This is especially important for children, the doctors say.

Research is another emphasis of the Center, said Martin Bogetz, MD, one of the fulltime anesthesiologists and director of the Center. Various staff members will work with the UCSF Child Life Services to find ways to psychologically prepare children for surgery, while other researchers will look into how specific anesthetics are used in surgery recovery.

For futher information on the new Surgery Center call 476-8384.

$2.7 Million Grant to Help Support Major Oral AIDS Center

A team of UCSF researchers has received a $2.7 million grant from the National Institutes of Dental Research (NIDR) to study oral manifestations of AIDS—paving the way for an Oral AIDS Center in the UCSF School of Dentistry which will serve as a major regional and national resource.

The new Center will focus on research, clinical care of oral AIDS and education about the disease. The five-year grant will fund the research component of the Center, while the School of Dentistry and a grant from the American Fund for Dental Health will support clinical care and education.

UCSF oral biologist/pathologist John Greenspan, BDS, PhD, who is program director for the research project, will serve as director of the Center. Deborah Greenspan, BDS, associate clinical professor, oral medicine, will direct the clinical unit and Barbara Gerbert, PhD, will head the education unit. The Center is expected to be in full operation in September.

Research will be a continuation of ongoing work that already has established the UCSF team as a national leader in oral problems related to AIDS.

Course for Gifted Students

The UCSF Reading and Language Clinic now is interviewing prospective students for an eight-week Study Skills Course to be held on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m. beginning October 6 at Laguna Honda, 1350 Seventh Avenue. The course is for gifted and talented students in the eighth and ninth grades.

It teaches students how to better organize their days and weeks, study and remember textbooks, take notes and outline research reports, proofread and refine writing before handing in a finished paper. For further information call 476-1776. The same course for sixth and seventh graders is planned for January '88.

Balloon Catheters to Unclog Heart Valves Restore Health to Elderly

A relatively new procedure for reopening old and clogged heart valves without surgery is helping otherwise healthy elderly people in the 80s, 90s and even 100s remain active. Because of their age, these people are considered a very high risk, and are routinely turned down for surgery to install a new valve.

Called catheter balloon valvuloplasty, the procedure is a variation on balloon angioplasty, a highly popular technique for opening clogged arteries. Valvuloplasty has been used with great success during the past five years to open constricted heart valves in children, but only within the past 18 months has it been applied to adults too old or too sick for open heart surgery.

Thomas Ports, MD, is director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratories. For further information call 476-4315.

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To our neighbors

Independent Study of Air Emissions Reaffirms Research Labs at UCSF-Laurel Heights are Safe

An independent analysis of potential toxic and radioactive emissions from two School of Pharmacy laboratories now in operation at UCSF-Laurel Heights has concluded that research activities pose no health risk to workers at the site or to the community.

The data in the study indicated that, even in a worst-case scenario, exposure to the community from Laurel Heights laboratory emissions would be from *600 times to 500 million times less than levels known to be safe.*

Seven of the 41 tested substances were suspected carcinogens, so cancer risks also were estimated. The study concluded that there is a *four times greater risk of getting cancer from a single chest X-ray than from a lifetime of exposure to the emissions at Laurel Heights.*

To ensure objectivity, the campus commissioned Radian Corporation, a nationally organized firm in conducting health risk assessments, to do the study.

Based on estimated emissions from the laboratories at Laurel Heights, Radian used state-of-the-art computer methodology approved by the Environmental Protection Agency to predict exposures to the community. The study then measured emissions actually coming out of the fume hoods, which verified the estimated emissions. (Radioactive substances are not currently being used.)

"Chronic, long-term exposure to the emissions predicted as the result of our analysis of the laboratories' current operations would not result in a significant impact on human health," concluded William R. Oliver, program manager for research and engineering at Radian.

Radian also checked air samples at Laurel Heights to establish baseline data so the quality of the air can be monitored after the School of Pharmacy moves all its basic science programs there. This will help assess the effect of laboratory operations on air quality in the area.

A system to monitor the air emissions on the Parnassus campus also is being set up.

Results of the Radian emission study are consistent with studies performed in 1984 and 1986 by the UCSF Environmental Health & Safety Department of soil and leaf samples, which demonstrated no significant traces of hazardous or radioactive residue around the Parnassus campus.

The Radian study is further evidence that research laboratories UCSF proposes to move from Parnassus Heights to Laurel Heights pose no threat to the health of the community, either in the short term or over any given individual's lifetime, according to Assistant Chancellor Thomas Gwyn.

One of the laboratories studied was that of the Drug Product Services, which is not a research laboratory but a small operation administered by Louis Tomimatsu, PharmD, that produces and packages medicines for use by UCSF hospital patients, similar to activities in any neighborhood pharmacy. Most of these drugs are not available commercially.

Where We are Now

The proposed move of UCSF School of Pharmacy basic sciences to Laurel Heights is still in the courts.

The UC Regents have filed a petition asking the California Supreme Court to review the California Court of Appeal decision that UCSF's Laurel Heights EIR was inadequate.

The Regents' petition is based on the grounds that the Court of Appeal decision conflicts with decisions of other California appellate courts in similar cases, and that the decision appears to go well beyond what environmental law requires.

The Supreme Court is expected to decide by November whether it will hear the case.

Meantime, the appellate court ruling that UCSF must shut down all research programs at Laurel Heights was temporarily set aside by the California Supreme Court in an unusually swift action, and UCSF is being allowed to continue the research now at Laurel Heights on a status quo basis.

Although the California Court of Appeal held that the Laurel Heights EIR should have contained more detailed information, and therefore was inadequate, it did not find that UCSF's research activities had ever posed any risk to the environment or to the health of campus employees or the community. As a matter of fact, the Laurel Heights Improvement Association (plaintiff) has not been able to present any evidence which proves the University has caused or will cause any harm at Parnassus or at Laurel Heights.

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